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Rulers seizing thrones and power —
Oh, how cheap is human life!*

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Even in this awful time.
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Rich Opportunities In Witnessing

"If There Be But One Hungry Heart in This town,
Fetch Him to Us or Us to Him."

From: Rudolph Miller, Carpathian Russia

SINCE our last letter we have on numerous occasions been richly blessed. I am sure you and our many friends will rejoice with us as I review some of these blessings for you.

First, let me take you once again to the home of our artist friend. Two weeks ago, today, he came dashing down the street after me, insisting on my going to his home. He soon opened the matter of things Christian. An hour later still found him with the open Bible in his hands. When a fine young Hebrew pupil arrived for an English lesson I offered to leave, but was persuaded to remain. We continued talking things Christian in the presence of his pupil. I was not certain the lad understood English well enough and so shifted to speaking in Yiddish.

I was taking our friend through the truths of the dispensations, starting with Adam — emphasising that Abraham, when called out by God did not observe circumcision for the first 24 years. Nor did Abraham keep Sabbath, nor did Isaac keep Sabbath, nor did Jacob keep Sabbath.

Abraham Did Not Keep the Sabbath

This was too much for our new arrival and he interrupted to say that I was wrong. He was a fine Hebrew scholar, learned in Hebrew for eight years. Also knows Yiddish, Hungarian and some English. My Hebrew Bible was soon in his hands as I asked him to read the verses which said, Abraham, Isaac or Jacob kept Sabbath. When he failed, I had him read Nehemiah 9: 13,14 which clearly states that the Sabbath was given at Sinai. These verses truly worked as a mighty hammer. After this, Mr. F. gave his English lesson while I looked on, praying silently for further opportunity to talk about my Lord. After the lesson the lad showed no desire to leave, but instead, showed evidences of wanting to remain, Mr. F. explaining to me that the lad knew the Old Testament from cover to cover in Hebrew and suggested I put him through any test.

My first question to the lad was "what did God create on the first day?" Of course both were astonished at me for saying the answer was wrong. Our conversation centered on Genesis 1:5. Our English reads "first day" — but the original Hebrew is not "FIRST day" but "ONE day." Now why had God not written "first day" (In Hebrew "Rish") nor does He use the Hebrew word for "an only one." (Yichid) but instead uses the Hebrew word for "a compound one" (Echod).

As for the explanation of why not "Rish" or first day, I had them check where each day began and each day ended.

In each case the day began with "And God said" and ended with "And it was evening and it was morning" etc., which brought out

the fact that the account found in Verses 1, 2, were of a time previous to the time of Verses 3, 4, 5, hence God could not rightfully call it "first day" but merely "one day." It was the first day of recreation, but not the first day of creation.

Further, why the compound "Echod" and not the out right singular "Yichid" was explained from Verse 5 "evening and morning" or two contrasting bodies joined together making one; hence it could not be called an outright singular "Yichid" — as for example, a pencil — but "Echod" or a family of one, as one cluster of grapes. When both my listeners agreed to this truth, we then considered Genesis 2:4. Adam and Eve "they shall be one flesh." Here again the Hebrew word was not "Rish" or first nor "Yichid," outright singular, but "ECHOD" a compound one or a unity of one. Again God could not rightfully call two separate personalities, in two separate bodies "one" uncompounded, but God could call them an "Echod" or a unity of one.

Largest Verse in God's Word

When my listeners once more heartily agreed, I rapidly took them to the largest verse in God's Word. Not the longest verse, but the largest. In Hebrew, this one verse is printed in larger letters than all other verses of the entire Bible. As though God wanted to particularly emphasis this one verse above all other verses. This verse is known by heart by most every Jew. Deut. 6:4. "Hear, Oh Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord." In Hebrew, "Hear, Oh Israel, Jehoval God," Jehoval is "Echod," not "Rish" — not "Yichid" but the Hebrew word for a Unity of one "Echod." When I explained by an illustration of my hand that God was a triune, three, yet God was one, like a flash Mr. F's face became very red, as he leaped up from his seat, begging me not to say any more in front of his pupil, for the lad's father is very orthodox and very influential in town and if the lad told at home what he had heard at his teacher's home, there was no telling what the town would do.

"Those fanatical Jews would not hesitate to kill," were his words. Mr. F. quickly had the lad leave the house, at the same time rushing for a sheet of paper to make notes of the various verses discussed.

His Face Turned Ashen White

After the lad had left I stayed about another hour or so, showing truths about Satan. As he carefully read Ezek 28: his face turned to an ashen white, registering great fear. He was so absorbed in the account that he failed to notice that he was late in going to give another lesson at a pupil's home. He had to rush on without lunch, as we had not stopped to eat.

Again I am asking you to please continue in prayer for this man and also put the lad on your prayer list.

Another rich blessing was had last week. We need furniture for our mission rooms and home. In going about to see what could be had, many opportunities were ours, but the richest blessing of all was about five hours with a Jewish man about thirty years of age.

Three Men to Pray For

As we talked while walking to his place of business he was so interested that several times we stopped in the middle of the street to examine the Word of God in Hebrew. When we came to his factory, we sat down in the middle of the shop with the open Bible, which showed him he was a sinner in God's eyes. The Lord blessed in giving opportunity to witness to two others at his place of business, one of whom is leaving for America and had several things for sale, the very things we need. Used furniture is not very cheap here as the demand is great, but we secured these things at a reasonable price. So instead of buying new from our man we finally decided on the used from his friends. Lord willing, we will be in our mission rooms and home May 1. Please pray for these three men.

Yesterday I also had a most blessed time of witnessing. Let me explain first that we have a great market place here where producer and consumer meet. Market days are Monday and Friday. We shop mostly on odd days as it is quiet then. We usually buy from regular merchants and so have an occasional opportunity to witness several times to the same man. Yesterday at the market I was witnessing to a man with red whiskers. When he was stumped for an answer to my question he called to another orthodox Jew for help. When no help was received from him, a third one was called and so on.

Ernest Listeners Circled About Him

As I continued to witness the crowd of whiskered men grew until there were perhaps forty or fifty earnest listeners circled about me, mostly all men past 40 years of age with long beards. One man acted as spokesman, while the others counseled in regards to their reply. In short, it was our first informal street meeting and I was really on the spot, for street meetings are not permitted here.

There was no brick wall behind me for protection, but I know there was a wall far better than a brick wall, which surrounded me and protected me, as I made the Word of God known. This I did for a good hour or more. The men did not get rough but behaved rather nicely for such a meeting. Many are anxious for me to get started with our mission home, so that they can come to discuss further heavenly things. After hand clasps and hat raisings I left them in a huddle of deep discussion. Please pray for them.

Also continue to pray for our wood man. In our last contact with him he said Psalm 2 referred to Israel. Please put a Jewish painter on your prayer list. Easter morning he came to Church where I gave a series of seven sermons last week. I spoke to him after the meeting and then again on Saturday when I met him on our main street where we spoke for about two hours. He too promises to come to the mission. The Lord has begun to supply literature for free distribution. We thank those who are making all things possible. Please pray that we may have all things in order speedily, so that all these earnest seekers may come and search the Scriptures and thereby find Him, for He promises "For who so findeth me findeth Life" Prov. 8:35. You needed this Life. I needed this Life. They need this life.

Mrs. Miller joins in sending our love to our many prayer partners.

June 2, 1938.

The past month has been "chuck full" of rich opportunities in witnessing to chosen people of His Chosen people Israel. It has been a month of telling and showing the written Word to many hungry hearts, — hearts that have been especially selected, drawn and prepared by Him.

Evidence of Answered Prayer

Since coming to our new workshop our prayer has been: "Dear Lord, if there be but one hungry heart in this town that we can witness to, we pray that Thou wilt fetch him to us or bring us to him." And so it has been almost every day, at least one special individual whom we find already prepared with an open heart and a listening ear, comes to our door. It is most remarkable that when dealing with those whom the Lord prepares and fetches, we are permitted to move in quickly to tell the "Good News" that Christ came.

From the evidences here there must be a great many of God's children in the U. S. A. who never hold their peace day and night for the work. They are not keeping silent, and are giving Him no rest!

Daily we gather about our large table to feed upon His Word and to sing praises to Him for His many blessings. The early morning and noon time hours are conducted in English; in the evening a Gospel meeting is in Yiddish. The Lord has been steadily adding to our things. Yesterday we secured some more chairs. In Luke 14:23 we read how the Lord not only furnished the feast but also had to fill the chairs. Will He not have to fill these chairs as well? And will He not fill them?

Sentries Read on Duty

Then there have been rich blessings in the matter of the printed Word. Many portions, mostly Gospels, and some tracts have been received in the seven languages required here. Already these have numbered into the thou-

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sands, of which there are but few left. Many of the Gospels have been placed in the hands of soldiers in the past two weeks. They read them even while doing sentry duty in the various factories and large warehouses and plants here. Many have been given to Jewish young men here in town, who stand under street lights at night reading them. Many others have been taken hundreds of kilometers away to other towns. Some Bibles and Testaments have been purchased and several were given to interested individuals. Yet we are still looking to the Lord for Bibles and New Testaments in these various languages.

We could write many pages telling of war activities here, of mobilization of troops, — even the house belonging to the man from whom we buy our fire wood has been taken. But is it not more refreshing to our souls to read how mighty and how wonderful is our blessed Lord?

We also had a very precious time with the "wood man" this week. Please pray for his salvation. Mr. F. has visited us almost every day, staying at times for several hours, and has eaten at our table. He has been showing more evidences of belief, but still refuses to profess His Name. Pray for him and his wife.

Fear Even Among the Gentiles

The Jews here are most frantic at the present time, and in the past few weeks fear has spread even to the Gentile believers here. But thanks be to God for such promises as are found in Ps. 46:10:—"Be still and know that I am God." Letters from dear ones in America, alarmed at the perilous position we are in, may do much praying for our safe keeping in Him. In the mean time we shall carry on to the very last minute.

We witnessed practically all day to a Jewish man, Mr. C., and his son, when they came to paint the kitchen walls and ceiling. It is a very small room, yet it took from 7 A. M. to 8 P. M. to do the one room. The Hungarian young man who was working for the Jewish man did most of the work, while the father and son were occupied in reading portions of the Scripture in Yiddish. The father was a good listener until we read the Word without our hats on our heads. This was an awful sin in his sight. The son sided with me, saying that his rabbi also explained that it was not compulsory to wear a hat or to wash the hands when reading the Word.

Five Hundred Men in Rags

The son was most interested. Pray for these and many others who have been witnessed to as we go about visiting the shops and market places from 7 A. M. each morning. Many are being persecuted, most dreadfully. Many are in no man's land, without a country. I am enclosing a photograph of two Jewish men;

there are about 500 such men in this town who have no work nor support, each looking more ragged than the other. They go from door to door, asking for aid from the Jewish people here. On Thursdays they visit all the Jewish shops, going in pairs, two by two. On Tuesday they go to all the Jewish homes. I have stood for hours at a time, watching this steady stream of men and women going out one door and into another, out of one and into the second. It is like a great colony of ants.

Our grocery man says he gives out every Thursday 1500 kc. (crowns). He gives each couple five heller. At this rate there are about 600 people coming to his door for aid in one day. This is beside the Gentiles, who come for aid as well. This has indeed been a problem with us. We do not wish to turn any away, yet the number is so great. Most of the merchants have a youngster at the door with a handful of ten heller pieces to give out, before they enter the store. This helps so that they do not clog up the store nor interfere with business.

Chanting the Word by Candle Light

But of all the pathetic sights, I think it is that which Mrs. Miller and I witnessed several weeks ago. It was Saturday night, about 8 o'clock. The Sabbath was about over. We heard chanting in Hebrew and saw a group of Orthodox Jews men and boys in the open alley between two buildings with open Bibles, reading with the aid of candle lights, held by several of the men — reading that portion of the Word usually read at the close of the Sabbath. Need I add that we went home from there with rent hearts, seeing the poor blind Jews with the very Word of God in their hands, reading it with candle lights — and yet so far away from the truth. One can better realize the power of Satan when you see how he just fools and deceives men to a Christless grave.

And the pity of it is that we have to be so careful in giving out the truth, lest we should do something which might hinder the testimony. In closing let me ask that God's children hold these Jews up in prayer. Also for the many other needs mentioned — the Bibles, Testaments, Gospels, tracts; the various ones witnessed to, and for further freedom in giving out the precious Word.

Mrs. Miller joins me in sending our love to our many friends in America. We praise the Lord for their gifts of love and pray that He will add His blessing to it also. Please say thanks to the dear one who has made it possible to get a Bible for my own personal use. May the Lord bless you all in your fine testimony to Him. Pray that we may be used here mightily, until we are either taken up or out. Yours by His grace.

Rudolph Miller.

Close to the Russian Border

Invites Us to Open a New Bible School



George Nazaruk Travels So In Winter

Ozenin, Poland.

Dear Brother Smith:—

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ to you, your family and to all brethren and sisters in our Fellowship; may the Lord bless you all in the work He gave you to do. Thank you very much for your kind letter and the check. I am going to remember you in my earnest prayers and the rest of the brethren, that God might spare your life for His glory and the work He gave you to do.

Concerning the Radosc property, I have been there to visit the workers many times. It is a beautiful place and would make a lovely home for some one. Under Miss Christoffersen's leadership much good has been done for the poor children of Warsaw, but it would be almost impossible for any of our young people from Volynia to attend a Bible School there. The cost of living probably would be higher than they could afford, for it is a more expensive location. The garden and fruit trees would have to be drawn on largely to cut the cost of board for the student residents there. I think we could supply many more students in our state of Volynia than can be found around Warsaw.

Here is the advice of one of the least of your missionaries. Come some of you from abroad to Poland and sell that property and buy in some big city in the State of Volynia—like our capital city Luck or some other, and let Brother Fred Stettler come and open the school and then you will see good results. Living is cheap, and many people, German, Polish, Ukrainian, Russian, are living around. There is no denominational headquarters here nor is any such work being done. American missionaries could help us with their singing and teaching. Our young people here are without school and going to be. In Lodi our Baptist Church have a few students and the Evangelical Christians in Warsaw only a few. Volynia has more than twice as many as both denominations.

Mostly I want you to see and know about my work. The Lord was so near to me last

winter and bless me in my church work and visitation work. Those from God's children who are coming to visit me. I am taking them on my little sled and horse, going with them from village to village visiting those stations of ours



Nahum Schuman Our Colporter in Warsaw, Poland

and holding the meetings. Trying to encourage God's children everywhere. Now as you see this picture with one of my good brother who came from Argentine to visit us and his parents. I took him and went to a few places, but specially to one sick sister in village Korostowa. This sister Anna is sick for 10 long years, but when we encourage her she begins to sing and glorify her Lord and Saviour. The work is going nicely in Ozenin. I am leading Sunday School classes for old and young each Sunday. We have Sunday School for little children also. We have few followers who come regularly to the meetings. We need prayer of God's people that those followers might be converted and baptised this summer.

I believe you are going to recognize me in my big winter cap and simple sleigh on which I am traveling. But I am glad to give everything to God's work in serving God's children. Thank you for your interest until this time.

GEORGE NAZARUK.

Eighteen Months In Poland

Personal Story of a Man Who Believes in Prayer

"The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth and even forever more." Ps. 121:8.

Dear Reader, the last two years of my long life (I am 80) have been in many respects the most wonderful and the most blessed in all my experience. It is wonderful in the clear and definite call to this Jewish work in Warsaw.

It is wonderful again in the way my needs have been supplied and the way in which several hundred dollars have passed through my hands to help in paying bills and to aid these desperately needy ones in their distress.

These months have been blessed ones in the prayer fellowship I have had with Miss Christoffersen as we have prayed over many perplexing problems, disappointments or together rejoiced over victories as new-born souls came into the kingdom.

There has been blessed prayer fellowship again at our monthly gatherings of the four agencies doing mission work among the Jews of Warsaw.

"The Airplane of Faith"

Still again there has been delightful and blessed fellowships in our Weekly Tuesday morning prayer meetings at Mrs. Hall's.

Mrs. Hall, an elderly English widow her niece Sister Mary a Deaconess in charge of a near by Orphanage; Miss Christoffersen and in later months Mr. Karl Faulkner and for the year and a half, the present writer.

We pray for our own loved ones. We pray for Warsaw and the Jews and dear Sister Mary is greatly burdened for her pastor and indeed the other pastors in all Poland.

Then in what I call "The Air Plane of Faith" with Miss Christoffersen at the wheel we move out over the troubled lands of Europe — over war-wrecked China — out over India having pointed out to us very many missions, schools and hospitals; down across Africa with its many sacrificial laborers and needy fields; then across the sea to South America, with her millions of untouched Indians; then Central America and Mexico and North America, Canada, the United States and Alaska!

We have literally encircled the globe in this wonderful prayer voyage! Instead of feeling I am almost alone in my little circle, I come out of this humble prayer room with an exhilaration in the spirit and I say "I belong to a vast army — His army fighting a great and victorious battle under our all conquering Christ! Hallelujah!"

But regarding fellowship, I seem never to have known before the preciousness of Christ's presence!

When I am tempted to be lonely, He seems to cuddle up to me so lovingly, and the pressure of His nail-scarred hand on mine is strangely comforting.

Friendship with Jesus

Fellowship divine,

Oh! What blessed sweet Communion.

Jesus is a Friend of Mine."

Opposing Forces

These past months in Poland have been marked by some fierce battles with the great enemy of God's chosen people.

I thought I knew something of this holy warfare in my former ministry of nearly fifty years. But here in Poland, this enemy contends for every inch of the ground and seems determined not to lose one soul from his grasp. As I face him and shout the victory, I send the challenge winging across the sea "Stand by me, loyal Saints in America!"

Another opposing force on this field is Romanism. Poland is called "The Pope's Pet" and Rome has a tremendous hold — a stranglehold on millions of souls in this land. I believe there is no country on earth where Rome has such undisputed sway.

Yet another opposing force in Evangelizing the Jews here is Judaism and the Rabbi, Rome has substituted the Virgin Mary for the Son of Mary — the Son of God, and Judaism has substituted the Talmud for the Bible. And oh! how artfully the Rabbi watches over his people to prevent them from reading the New Testament. He will burn every copy he can lay his hands on.

But these forces mighty as they are, have no power against God's work. "If God be for us who can be against us?" Rom. 8:31. The fully armed and equipped and anointed soldiers are victors through Jesus Christ.

Friendly Forces

"Fear not; for they that be with us are more than they that be with them." Elisha's words to his fearful servant. (2 Kings 6:16).

God's Word is one of great help either as sustaining and encouraging our own hearts or as we engage in this warfare. It is the sword of the Spirit, we have in the Bible in Polish and Yiddish and much of it in tract form. Just these past few weeks there are thousands of tracts being distributed and almost nightly we witness results in the new faces in the mission. Five or six workers are out almost every day and are enthusiastic in canvassing. Surely, you will recognize your prayer partnership in the tract distribution.

But our great hope is in planting the good seed of God's Word in the virgin soil of the minds and hearts of the children.

Here is where Radosc — the peasant plays such an important part. This lovely place a suburb of the City of Warsaw with its six acres of lovely grounds, fruit trees and shade trees, great old house with a dozen or fourteen rooms — here is where in the past years several hundred boys and girls have been taught much of the Bible.

Fresh Air Children at Radosc

Last summer Miss Christoffersen had 170 children in groups of about forty at a time.

They committed choice texts and sections, indeed whole chapters of the blessed old Book. And the Gospel songs are a delight to them.

Personally I remember verses Psalms and hymns that I learned at ten or under, and I know these Jewish children can never get away from God's truth planted thus early in their precious hearts.

Another weapon in this warfare is *Prayer*. I do not beg for money. Paul wrote "I have coveted no man's silver". But I do covet your prayers. I never realized as I do today the great need of "holding up the hands" of the workers out in the front line of trenches. Their trials are many, sometimes dangers threaten, sometimes it is sickness or exhaustion or extreme weariness, oh! they need to be sustained!

But right here on the field prayer is our refuge and strength. Prayer enables us to gird on the whole armor of God.

Last summer Miss McGhie from Akro, O. spent about a week with us on her way to India where she is engaging in mission work. Shortly after leaving us she wrote back: "I travel over to Poland every day on my knees." Friends, it is not far by that method and no travelling expense. Come over into Poland and help us.

Some Polish People

Within the last six months, while I love Israel just as ardently as before, I find a strange, warm feeling creeping into my heart and I love the Poles with the love that Christ has for them and has planted in my heart.

It is not strange then, is it that God has given me the opportunity to speak personally to a few of them.

One of these is the street carman as I call him. He works in the office of the company.

His cousin and her children live in Chicago and came to Warsaw on a visit and were on the Batory, the boat I came over on, and knew about the Captain kissing me on my birthday.

So this seemed to draw this street carman near to me and he is very friendly. He was in England at 15 and knows the language. He was later sent as a soldier (Poland before the World War was under Russian rule) in the Russian army to Manchuria and knows the horrors of war.

He attends the church of England service

and is quite familiar with the Prayer Book — more familiar with that than with his Bible — if he has one. He has left the Catholic church much to the sorrow of his wife and grown sons.

He comes to me for an hour one day in the week. He is an earnest seeker after the truth. I believe he will soon find Him who is "The Way and the truth and the life," and oh what a privilege is mine! and yours too, dear prayer helper!

A Bible Was the Text Book

Another *Polish man*, though he is not a full-blooded Pole. His father was a Polish Count and his mother is half German and half Danish.

His father was high up among the nobility of Poland and lived in several of the capital cities of Europe.

At one time they lived in Turkey and at 15 this boy was placed in an American Missionary School where the Bible was the principal text book. He was in this school for about three years. Being of an inquiring turn of mind he asked many questions about the Bible. He said Doctor Mc — somebody gave him much instruction outside of school hours. So while he is loyal to Poland is not Catholic at heart.

I was invited to dinner one Sunday and as we sat down with his mother and sister he said to me: "Perhaps this is your first opportunity of meeting an officer of the Polish army."

"Yes" I said "and I appreciate its privilege."

He speaks perfect English and is so cordial that I felt as much at home with him as I would with some every day American.

Believes the Whole Bible

He said he believes the Bible from end to end. As I talked with him I put my hand on one of his shoulder straps and said "How fine it would be if you were enlisted as a soldier of Jesus Christ, fighting the good fight of faith."

He quietly replied: "I consider myself a soldier of Jesus Christ." I do not believe he has been born again, so I am your prayer partner, and let us never let go of him till he surrenders fully the Great Captain of our salvation.

I believe he will get Christ's "call to the colors." So much for the Poles.

Want to send out to you over the sea S.O.S. which means: "A wireless call of a ship in distress." Our ship is surely this morning in distress and our only help is in Him who rebuked the winds and the waves and said to the stormy sea: "Peace be still." And so, dear ones, stand by in your prayers in our time of peril.

F. A. McGAW.

A Most Remarkable Picture

Described by a Hebrew Who Knows the Orthodox Dress

Under separate cover I am sending to the New York office a picture painted by this artist here in Mukachevo. It was purchased and has been dedicated to the Lord for the purpose of bringing home to the people of America the great need for their prayers for the salvation of some of God's Chosen People, Israel, particularly at this time. The artist named a very reasonable price for all of his pictures, but the one I chose was more than double the price of the others. He offered me various deals for less money, but when I showed him that my first offer was all that I had, he accepted my money and gave me the picture, telling me that he was happy to get the money for he needed it for the coming Passover holidays, ten days away.

It was very hard to get a model for this picture, for it is an awful sin for a Rabbinical Jew to have a picture taken, let alone sitting for a week or more to model for a painting, according to Exodus 20:4. The group picture sent last month was of a great group who were not aware that they were being photographed. Another great factor to be considered here is the age of the man. It is a lot easier to induce a young man to pose, but for an old man, *never!*

The artist was telling me how he had first to woo the old man to his home several times, then very tactfully to approach him about posing for a picture. Of course, the answer was a most emphatic *No!* But the artist continued wooing, with more money, and then even included meals. The old man finally consented, crying that it was an awful sin.

I have sat and studied the expression of the face for hours. Yesterday as I tried to fathom what the artist had brought out, it all seemed to me to sum up in the uppermost thought in his own mind, namely, What awaits the Jew in the future? Also there is the question as to what the man is pondering, for his mind seems to be afar off.

Personally I would not venture to put this picture up in a meeting room here, or to show it to a group of these Jews, for fear of what might happen.

But I see still another expression in this face, which can be summed up in three words: After death, what? And it does seem to me as you show this picture there in America to our praying Christian friends that many of God's children will find the same message in it, seeing the lost and undone condition of Israel, dying without Christ and without hope. These who are so near to the truth, and yet so far away!

Little do we realize that every hour of the day or night fifty Jews pass into eternity —

to be lost forever. We often see figures of how many were lost in the last war, but it staggers the mind to learn that if Israel's dead were paraded before us in rows of ten, at the rate of a row every thirty seconds, it would require an hour to watch them go by, *each day of the year*. The figure for the gentile world is still more appalling. If rows of fourteen passed every ten seconds, it would be an endless procession twenty-four hours a day, year after year, till Jesus comes!

Returning to the picture again, there is great value in its genuineness. Only a Jewish artist who loves the Jew could bring out the expressions it contains. Then again, the Jew who sat for the picture had to be one of the real fanatical Jews, the real thing, for one cannot merely put on such an outfit without showing it to be false.

The hat this man is wearing is worn only by these very orthodox Jews, and then only on the Sabbath and holy days. These large black hats are trimmed with fur, and one can discern a number of ends in the fur. It is not in one piece, but in fourteen pieces, and only the tails of the skins are used.

This whole costume originates from the time when the Jews were confined to the Ghetto in Poland, where they were compelled to wear large black hats with the tail of an animal hanging down the back of the hat. In addition to this, a yellow emblem had to be worn on the left shoulder. This was forced upon them to bring them to shame, fear and humiliation.

Later, when the Jews obtained their freedom from the Ghetto and were free to discard their tailed hats, they decided to continue wearing them, but instead of one tail at the back of the hat, they encircled the entire brim with fourteen tail skins. Underneath the hat, at the back of the head, can be seen a small section of the "yamelkee" or "black cap," which is worn at the same time so that when entering a public place the large hat may be removed and yet leave the head covered, which is a most important tradition among orthodox Jews.

The man you see has blue eyes, which are very rare in our country, but here in Poland we have many Jews with bright blue eyes. Then I wish to point out the long "peath" or "sideboards," which is perhaps from the Jewish point of view the most beautiful part of the entire picture, for it shows that from infancy on the hair from the sides of the front of the head had never been cut. Jews observe this because of Lev. 19:27. The beard as you will see is still quite black, while the "peath" is already gray. The white spot showing at the collar is a bit of the "toleth" or "prayer shawl," which he puts over his head while praying. It is a long silk scarf with fringe

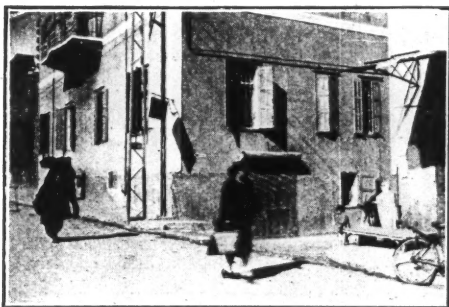
on both ends. In prayer it is worn over the head and draped over the shoulders and chest. There are six hundred and thirteen strings of fringe for the six hundred and thirteen Levitical laws. Across the center of the toleth, which rests upon the head, is the Hebrew inscription:—"The Yoke of the Law," and how true it is that they are still under the yoke of the Law. Oh, that they might learn that Grace and Truth came by Jesus Christ?

The coat is black and very long, reaching to the heels. Our prayer is that the showing of this picture may be the means of many catching the vision of Lost Israel, and in answer to their prayers God will take glory unto Himself in snatching many of these from the pit of corruption. In such hats on Saturday and in black hats on other days, we see hundreds of these men racing through our streets, going to pray three times a day at the synagogue! God alone can reach them.

The longer we are here the more we realize the great need and do earnestly request the prayers of prayer partners. Mrs. Miller joins me in sending love to you all. Yours by Grace,

RUDOLPH MILLER.

From the Jaffa Clinic



Front of Clinic Building

Jaffa, Palestine, May 4.

LET me say something about the two needs of our Clinic. Sometime ago I wrote about the Friday evening meetings in the Clinic Hall. Besides addresses which are being held in every meeting, we attract their attention with a number of lantern slides. Explanations are given while the pictures are being shown. Mr. Ostrovski has a number of such lantern-slides, but we see that we shall need more pictures next time. Those which we have now will not be sufficient. There will be a need for *new ones*. Won't the readers of "The Harvest Field" supply us with such Biblical lantern-slides.

The other need, and which is far more important, is that of a *good apparatus of*

"Diathermy" for the Clinic. We need it very urgently in order to be able to treat many diseases which are registered in our current work in the Clinic. I asked in the shop and the apparatus of "Diathermy" costs about \$100.

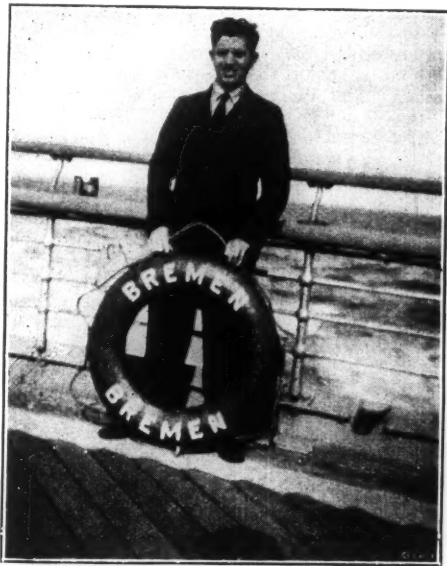
In closing, I want to thank, in the Name of all of us who are working for His Glory in the Hall "Pennel" and in the Clinic, the children of God in America who have met the needs of the work in the Holy Land so willingly. May God Bless all of them abundantly!

Professor Marcinkovski will have in the next few days a series of lectures in Jerusalem. And Mr. Ostrovski is going tomorrow also to Jerusalem for he always interprets Prof. Marcinkovski from Russian into Hebrew.

Every day we have numerous patients from different parts of Jaffa and Tel-Aviv. I believe the readers know that on the clinical "Rys" (prescription) blanks are printed, in Hebrew and Arabic, verses of Scripture. So that each blank is like a miniature "tract". The patients accepting the blanks ("tracts") have the opportunity of reading some words of the Bible and then they distribute these "tracts" in various pharmacies. Can you imagine how many souls are reached by God's words in this way?

Yours in His Name,

JAMES EWKE.



Vasil Angeloff On The High Seas

Now our brother Angeloff has arrived in Bulgaria and has already begun his itinerating ministry for the summer. More about him in the September number.

Is This In The War Zone?

Missionaries Are Still Spreading the Gospel in Czechoslovakia

May 27th, 1938

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus:

"Hide me, o my Saviour hide,
Till the storm of life is passed"

Most of the talk around us turns about the possibility of escaping from the expected onslaught of the dogs of war. This seems the uppermost in the minds of the population of our district. Many are near nervous breakdown thru the prevailing tension. This danger they see and would like to forestall, but the danger of eternal perdition is put aside, so much more, for this turmoil. We rejoice that we found the true hiding place in the "Rock of Ages" and thank God for the quietness and peace of heart in the midst of it all.

When on our weekly extension trip we passed along the border to visit a believing family, we had a splendid opportunity to pass out many tracts to the peasants and soldiers. Pray for the seed sown, especially as we do not know to whom it might be the last message in this life. The peasants live in constant expectation of an order to move on from the war zone, should an attack be made, for they themselves see the German troops being brought up to the border by autos. For the imminency of an attack all work in the fields within 1½ miles from the frontier has been forbidden. The increasing number of border incidents made it necessary. Just these days, a soldier in active service, of German nationality of course, wanted to run over to Hitler as many others did already, with full equipment. Being stopped by a customs officer, he pretended to reach for his identification papers, but suddenly swung the butt of his rifle and smashed the officer's head. Then taking the rifle of the murdered also, fled across the border. This was related to us in the village where it happened.

Such incidents happening daily, compelled the government to be vigilant and take such measures as deemed necessary to assure peace. The believing family we visited is also sadly hurt by the stopping of the work in border zone. Their little field lays in that part as well as the fields of the estate on which they made their living as labourers. It is sad for them, but there is also another side to it. The people used to scorn that lady for her story how she had to flee, leaving all behind her in her home in Poland, during the world war, and was exiled in the Ural mountains. They used to call her "gypsy" for her experiences, but now they laugh no more, but come to her for advice what to get ready in case they will have to vacate. Everybody there has a bundle of the barest necessities ready to pick up and run at a moment's notice.

As we passed over bridges along the German border, some had heavy beams drawn

across, others had holes dug on one side, leaving only a narrow passage. To bar the road at certain places, there were long beams, supported on one end by a cross trestle and spun over with barbed wire, ready to put up in emergency or at night, when at nine o'clock everybody is supposed to be in. We had to wind our way through these places going to our appointments, not knowing whether we will get stalled at any point. All over the border district were men, machine guns and heavy guns in readiness for eventual defense in case of attack.

Though the feeling seems to have quieted down and the danger less acute, it is conceded that the danger is not yet passed. I need not explain that in such a tense atmosphere and antagonistic spirit the spiritual work is greatly hindered. We have had to contend with it more or less all the time, in fact that is what made this district so needy of work, which others did not dare to do. There is such spiritual darkness that it is appalling. Hardly anybody knows that these throes are the forebodings of the tribulation pangs. The people long for some one to bring them peace and do not surmise that it will be the antichrist who is to rule the present situation. The people are truly as sheep having no true shepherd. Thus we thank the Lord for the opportunity we still have to spread the Gospel message in this town and several other places, besides the nation-wide tract work. We do not know how long it will be still possible, the much more we want to let the message ring that some may yet be prepared for the Lord's coming. Please to uphold us and the work before the throne of grace. Yours in Him.

Chas. Lukesh.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to the American European Fellowship, Inc., a Corporation formed under the Laws of the State of New Jersey, and located at 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., the sum of

and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors.

In New York and some other States a will, to be legal, must have two witnesses. Checks may be made payable to E. N. Sanctuary, Treasurer, American European Fellowship, for their Gentile or Jewish Missions.

A Missionary's Prayer Appeal

Bustino, C. Z., May 7.

Dear Friends:—

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

In the midst of the world's storms and uncertainty our hearts are in perfect quietness and peace. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. These things I have spoken unto you, that in ME ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." (John 14:27;16:33.) These most precious and comforting words of our Lord, confirm the fact of our peace through the blood of His cross, and the blessed Holy Spirit is witness in our hearts of the reality of the salvation of God. See Rom. 5:1; Col. 1:20; 1 John 5:13; Rom.5:5;8:16. Dear reader have you peace with God?

In March we were visited by Mr. Urban who is laboring for the Lord among the Russian refugees in Paris, France. Mr. Urban is a highly educated man. Under the old regime, he was associate judge in the law courts of Russia. After the war God in His mercy saved him and is now using him as a witness of His grace among the high and low, rich and poor. "For there is no difference: for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

We thank God for the blessing we all received through Mr. Urban's ministry. He is a humble man and a true servant of God. He left Mukachevo, and went to Jugoslavia, where he is to minister the word of God to the Russian refugees. Pray for this servant of Christ as he goes from one country to another, meeting various difficulties and bitter opposition of the enemies.

Then in the month of April Mr. Gers was with us, during the Easter holidays for about two weeks, and visiting the different villages where our work is located. The Lord's blessing rested upon the testimony of His own word. As usual, large crowds attended the gospel meetings during the Easter holidays. Many have heard the message of God's redeeming love and also the warning of the consequence in rejecting the message. Please pray for God's blessing upon the word preached during the Easter season and the spiritual literature which was distributed, that it might bring forth fruit to His glory.

We are holding regular gospel meetings now in the villages Ganichy and Kalinovo. We rejoice with you that recently four precious souls from these villages, are delivered by the truth of the gospel and united with us in Christian fellowship and regular members of our church. Praise God. Pray for these precious souls that they may be kept true to

Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. Pray especially for these villages and the villages Tereshell and Vyshkovo, where Russellism is prominent. Dear fellow-intercessors, it is only through the faithfulness of your earnest prayers the strongholds of the enemies can be broken by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pray for Miss M. Selody and Mr. Rybachuk, our co-workers, who are resident in the district of Neresnica and doing most of the work where Russellism is strong. Pray also for the orphanage in Neresnica where Miss Selody is in charge by His grace. Pray for the salvation of each child and that their material needs may be supplied. Pray for the sister Ermolin-ska, the elderly lady, who assists Miss Selody in the orphanage.

Pray for Mr. Gonak, our co-worker, who at present makes his residence in the village Dulovo, doing the pioneering work.

Pray for Mr. Kovalchuk, whose health is not altogether strong. Pray for us all, that we might be fully yielded instruments in the Master's hands, so that He can use us without hinderance. Pray for a mighty heaven-sent revival in Carpathian Russia. "With God all things are possible". God will answer the prayer of faith in His own time to His glory. But ye, beloved, building up yourselves in your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

We earnestly covet the prayers of God's people and we do thank God and you for every prayer. Sincerely yours in His matchless grace,
Philip Manetz.

Parting Words from the Kennedys

June 15, 1938.

Dear Friends in America:—

We are very grateful to you all for your kind prayerful interest. We feel that God has allowed us to have a happy and profitable year of furlough in His service, speaking and visiting Albanian communities in the United States. We had thought of lingering in America longer, but now we both feel that it is God's will for us to return and cooperate as He shall guide and enable us with Revs. Jacques and Konrad on the field. We are receiving good letters from them and they are expecting us. We thank God for them. Kindly pray, dear friends, that the work of the Holy Spirit may ever continue in "The Interdenominational Mission" of Albania.

"So then, after the Lord had spoken unto them, He was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the work with signs following"—Mark 16:19, 20.

Phineas B. Kennedy.

Missionary Work In Poland

Pages From A Traveling Preacher's Diary

Dear in the Lord Brother Smith:—

Your good letter of March the 16th reached me on March the 27th, for which I am thanking you most cordially. I had to suffer a great deal during the month of March, due to the fact that my health was not in a good shape, and also on account of the persecution by the authorities.

On March 1st I was quite ill and could not leave the house. About noon one brother came with a truck from the village of Trostjanitz, 21 miles from my place, and told me that his daughter has died and that it is necessary for me to conduct the funeral. There was no other way out and I made myself ready to go. On our way a torrent of rain caught us and we became chilled through.

Arriving at the destination, I found many people gathered and I decided to use this opportunity for the preaching of the Gospel. At once I announced to the brethren and the sisters who were present that we were going to have a Meeting in the evening. After a little while the house was filled with people and we had to turn the rest of the callers away, on account of the lack of space. Praise the dear Lord, we had a very, very blessed gathering. After the Meeting I delivered a message on the topic: "The life on this side of the earth and the Life Eternal". We remained gathered until 3 o'clock past midnight. Tired out and exhausted we closed the Meeting and went our ways.

On March 2 from the very minute we got up the people began to flock to the house where the funeral service was to be held.

The outside visitors were most anxious to see how the Evangelical Christians are conducting the funeral services for their deceased members. Very soon the whole house was filled to its full capacity by the newcomers and by the interested visitors. First we had our worship in the home of the deceased Sister and later at the cemetery, two miles away from the home.

Despite the fact that after such a severe rain the ground was exceedingly muddy, mostly all those who were inside of the house followed us to the cemetery, to give to the deceased sister expression of their last respect and to witness the funeral-service.

Arriving at the cemetery, we had another meeting, where we had the privilege to witness to the crowd about our loving Saviour, Redeemer and Lord, who has delivered us from eternal doom and from eternal death, — Galatians 3:13; Acts 5:6.

The deceased sister in the Lord Jesus Christ was 23 years of age. From the very time of

her conversion she was following in the footsteps of the Lord Jesus Christ, her Redeemer, serving him to the best of her abilities and strength. She was attending the meetings and, having a good voice, she was taking part in the singing at the religious gatherings.

Upon our return from the cemetery all those who were attending the funeral were cordially received and were asked to partake of a love-meal. Very many of the young people were present.

On March 6 we had morning and evening meetings in Kamenetz-Litovsk. It was a very, very blessed gathering. Praise the dear Lord for His presence with us. We were glad and grateful in our hearts for the privilege of the meeting. Yet, on the other hand, we felt sad because, as I did mention to you in my previous letter, the Hall which we are renting is far too small to hold a great number of callers.

Many visitors, not finding any place to enter in the hall, are compelled to stay all the while outside the open doors and behind the open windows. And there are some who are going home, not being able to hear the preaching of the Word of God. We are in greatest need of a large meeting-hall, which we will never be in a position to build out of our own.

On March 20 I went to the village of Szerbovo, 7 kilometers away, where I was privileged to conduct first an instructive evangelical meeting for the adults, and after its close we held a meeting for the children. At this gathering children from 8 to 12 years old of unsaved parents were taking part in the service, by reciting religious poetry, Bible verses and different Bible stories, in the Russian and in the Polish languages.

The house was filled with the people all the while, who were listening most attentively. At the close of the meeting they still stayed, not wishing to return home. The listeners requested me to call on them oftener. One family is living there who have entrusted their lives in the hands of the Living God. The grown-up people of this family are most anxious to become obedient to the command of the Lord Jesus Christ and to become buried in baptism, early in the spring, according to MARK 16: 15-16.

On February 13 we made in Kamenetz-Litovsk two Meetings, in the morning and in the evening. Very many visitors gathered.

Also a religious orchestra came along, from about 30 kilometers. The house was in such a way packed full that there was no room for anybody else. And despite the fact that a strong cold, some degrees below zero, was outside, — we had to keep the doors of the Meeting-place fully open. Many people were standing outside and they were listening to

the preaching of the Word of God, to the singing and to the religious music, which were to bring praises to the Lord. After the morning-worship we partook of the Lord's Supper. 1 Cor. 11:23-32.

On February 14 a heavy snow-storm was raging and it looked as if after it will be over there will be no way to go out. It is true, that on the wheels, all kind of communications were interrupted for several days.

On the 15th of February it was most urgent to me to be present in a place seven kilometers away. There was living a family the members of which were seeking the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. This family was being persecuted all over, and it was my duty to call on them and to encourage them and to give them a spiritual lift.

I paid no attention to the deep snow: I went on foot to this village Szerbovo. Even tho it was quite difficult to reach it, — yet great was our joy when we were able to conduct a few blessed Meetings.

When the people noticed my arrival, — those in the neighbourhood began to gather at once at the house. At the same time three Brethren arrived also. The house gradually became full and we did have there a very blessed gathering. Religious literature was distributed to those who were anxious to have it. It was taken by everybody in great haste. So that many had to go without. The people were asking us to call on them again and again.

At the close of the Meeting the family who has suffered so much persecution testified to the fact that they have received a blessing and that they felt greatly relieved. Many who were present at the Meeting and who heard the Word of God, — stopped to persecute the newly converted family and they were able to breathe freely. Matthew 10:22; John 15:16-21.

From this Meeting the newly-arrived Brethren took me with them for about eight kilometers to the village Grabovtzy. There upon my arrival I called on several families and I called in a home, where there was a very sick old man.

In the evening we gathered in the home of the sick, old Brother and were holding a Meeting, at the close of which we had the Lord's Supper. Who knows, may be it was the last Lord's Supper, of which this sick, old Brother was partaking.

On February the 24th in the village Beljevo I made different calls on some believers, way off five miles away. On my way home I took a cold and had to remain in bed for a few days.

On February 27 in Liano, a village, a Meeting was to be held. I was greatly distressed, due to the cold which was making me feel ill. I was sorry to miss the Meeting.

In prayer I was asking the dear Lord to raise me up from my bed. The Lord heard my prayer, according to Matthew 21:22. In the morning on February the 27th I got up from my bed and went to the village Lipno. There we did have a very, very blessed gathering. It was an Evangelical and instructive

thinking that I will not be able to attend it, gathering at the same time. The children's meeting followed it. During the children's Meeting a little girl recited a poetry about an Orphan. The listeners were so greatly taken by the story that when I offered them to contribute to this cause for the orphans, James 1:27, many gave a response and the offering of 4 zlots and 81 groshis went towards the orphans' needs.

After that the religious literature was given out and at the same time the Scripture was distributed. Several hymns were sung and all were satisfied.

We received a request to call on them often and to hold again some evangelistic meetings. Very many requests are coming in with the prayer to call on them in their villages and to give to them the Gospel.

I do regret very much indeed, that I am living in such a surrounding where it is *simply impossible* for me to give every day of the week towards the religious discussions and calls, not being able financially and often times being myself in sore need of the most necessary things, as for example daily bread and some clothing. To be able to go out daily in the Lord's service one must be fully equipped with all the necessary things, in order to feel care-free and quiet.

The worst spiritual condition is right here on the spot, at Kamenetz-Podolsk. Due to the fact that there is no Prayer hall, quite often many visitors do not have the opportunity to enter the house in which a meeting is being held, and they remain in the outside and are forced to return home, yet are most anxious to listen to the exposition of the Word of God.

In order to build our own Meeting-Hall it will require expense of \$2000 dollars. Due to the great poverty of our members even under better circumstances we would be able to collect no more than \$200.00 altogether. And where should we find the balance of \$1800 dollars?

I am asking the dear Lord that He should undertake and should dispose the hearts of the people who would be able to assist us in this matter. May he show them our need and may He grant us the opportunity to be able to come out of this situation victoriously.

At the same time I do request you to sustain me with your earnest prayers in my behalf, that I may be enabled to continue to serve the dear Lord faithfully, not feeling discouraged because of all kinds of happenings and experiences, personal as well as those of others, in our labors on the Lord's fields.

At the close of these Meetings, I suffered a very severe cold, and had to stay in bed, for one week. Until now I do not succeed to get rid of my cold, because it is almost useless for me to call a doctor, not having the means to pay his bill. For I am in a great financial difficulty all the while, the overhead expenses being very high.

K. JAROSZUCK

Asks Prayer For His Children

Would You Like To Share in Their Education?

Mlynów, Poland.

Beloved Friends in the Lord:—

There is no greater joy than to know that our Lord overcame death and is always living to advocate for us, and He is coming again very soon to take His faithful to Himself. In Him we weak, feeble people are more than overcomers. Praise Him!

I have not much news at the moment. The Lord helps us in His work here. On April 7 I was able to visit the church in Buzkiewichi, about 15 klm. from Mlynów. The Lord helped His children to build a new hall there, and the people now show their interest by attending the Gospel meetings. I was asked there to help the brethren in different church problems. Such members' meetings usually continue for several hours.

On April 10 I visited the church in Stawok, about 25 klm., where the ordination of the minister took place. Many brethren from different places were present and the Lord bestowed great blessings upon us. Praise Him!

On the second day one brother on his way home from that village visited Mlynów and we had a very blessed meeting here. This brother is the editor of our Ukrainian evangelical magazine and is a member of the committee which is examining the new Ukrainian translation of the Bible which is being printed by the efforts of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The New Testament is already translated and if God is willing we hope to see it printed this year. That may mean a new era in the life of fifty million Ukrainian people. We need prayer that God may use His Word for awakening precious souls. Pray for that!

We ask your prayers on the work which God has given to us in this section, that He may manifest His great power in saving souls, as the time of His coming is at hand. We pray that God may bless all of you who are interested in His work here. May He reward all of you in His glory.

Through the generous gift of God's children I have the bicycle, which I use in my traveling when it is possible. Just now I came from the village Stawok, about 28 klm., where yesterday were very big meetings. Among others there was a brother from Germany (Pastor Harder) and one from Warsaw. We had very blessed fellowship with our Lord and His children. With the latter brother I am intending, God willing, to visit some independent churches in the next two weeks.

On May 18 I was invited with our chorus to the marriage of one brother in the town of Dubno. We used that opportunity for the preaching of God's Word. The hall was packed with people, and they all heard the word about the great everlasting love of John

3:16. After the marriage we were all invited to the marriage feast in the home of the bride. There also we had a very good opportunity to preach the Word and sing praises to our God.

There is a custom here that at weddings the young people (and old, too) from the whole village gather at that house to look on at the ceremonies taking place at the marriage. Believers have no ceremonies, but the people gather in greater numbers to see how



Three Blessings From the Lord
In the Gordiuk Home

there can be a marriage without ceremonies and without alcohol! So we had a good opportunity to testify about the power of the Gospel before a great number of people. So also was it on the second day, in the house of the bridegroom. Perhaps sometime I will describe some marriage ceremonies of our people, if this will interest you.

With this I send you a photo of our children. I will ask your prayers for them. We feel our responsibility for their life. It seems to me that the greatest difficulty for believers here is the education of children along spiritual lines. I have an opportunity to read "The Sunday School Times," and in advertisements there I see different helps for children's educa-

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Fellowship In Gospel Preaching



A Faithful Worker and His Family
Bustino, June 9, 1938

Dear Brother Smith:

TOMORROW, God willing, I am going to Klichanovo, where our Brother John Gonak works. We plan to have there the baptismal service and other evangelistic services in different places of that large Russian region. Hope to write you more in detail about it when I come back from this trip.

Now I wish to tell you that one of our friends, an Englishman in the city of W'zhorod, the capital of Carpathian Russia, heard that we need a piano for our Prayer Hall in Bustino, and they are willing to sell us their own piano at a small price, that is for \$150 which costs \$400. This piano is as good as new. They used it only for a very short time and kept it in good order. So you see how unusual an opportunity this is to get this piano at such a low price. May the Lord lay it on some heart who can to help us to buy this piano which is so necessary for our work here. These friends need money very soon and I wish it would come soon.

Lately we had a series of fine Gospel meetings in different places of this our field. Rev. G. K. Urban, of Paris, France a Russian Evangelist and editor of religious papers (well-known among the Russians) visited us here again and stayed with us two weeks, helping us in these meetings. The people listened to the messages very attentively and with much interest. Much spiritual literature was distributed during these meetings.

But the Lord especially blessed us in Bustino. Here we had meetings for a few days beside preaching. Every meeting was so overcrowded

that many people had to stay out because there was no more room in the hall. Now we need to have a slide machine of our own so that we could use it from time to time in different places of our large field. We are so thankful to Mr. Urban for his good help he did for us here again.

From Bustino Mr. Urban, together with Brother H. Gers, Philip Manetz and John Gonak, went to the city of Mukachevo, another large Carpatha-Russian region. There they went to see those in charge of the city hall and told them of their purpose. The Lord opened the hearts of those officials and they gladly gave permission free of charge to hold the Gospel meetings and to show the picture slides in the city hall. Every night during the whole week there was preaching and showing pictures on the Life of Christ, the Heart of Man, the Missionary Journeys of the Apostle Paul, ancient Rome and Greece, the ancient Christian monuments, etc. Much spiritual literature was given away. It also gave a good opportunity to make a wide acquaintance and to get addresses of many. Many of them asked us to send them regularly some good Christian literature. We thank the Lord for those good guest evangelists and preachers who have helped us in holding meetings.

Brother Rudolph Miller and his wife, as you know, have located in Mukachevo and work there among the Jews. No doubt the beginning will be very hard for them, but we hope they will faithfully do their utmost for the Lord among the people of their own race. Mukachevo is the greatest Jewish center in this republic. Nothing has been done among these people yet. So let us pray very earnestly for Mr. and Mrs. Miller and the field where the Lord put them.

John Kovalchuk.



Mrs. John Kovalchuk and her Daughter
With the Sunday School

**THERE WILL BE NO MAGAZINE IN JULY OR AUGUST
PRAY THAT THE MISSION FUNDS DO NOT FAIL**



FRED and MARTHA STETTLER and Family

This is the picture we waited all winter to get.
Surely it was worth waiting for.

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tion, like children's magazines, Bible story books, stories of different missionaries, Bible pictures and so on. We have nothing at all like that here.

Our children, like all children, like to hear stories. They know all the important persons, names and deeds of the Bible, but they always like to hear something new. Their desire I cannot satisfy, because I have nothing at hand to give them. Perhaps there are some friends there who have children and so have some used children's helps or books or pictures or something of the kind. We will be very thank-

ful if they will share with us.

If there are friends who would like to give the Word of Life to our people, they may contribute to send the new printing of the Bible to Missionaries who work among the Ukrainian people. If God is willing, I hope myself to give out several hundred New Testaments. For this translation wait seven million Ukrainians who live in Poland, not to mention other millions who are in Soviet Russia, Czechoslovakia and Roumania.

May the Lord bless all your deeds for His glory and reward you all according to His promises. I greet you all in His precious name.

John Gordiuk.

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A REMINDER AS YOU PRAY

Last month our Brother Kovalchuk, in Carpathian Russia, asked for an organ and also for \$5 a month more for John Gonak, so that he might be placed in a more important field of labor. So far neither appeal has brought any response. Have our readers been praying about this, and will you continue to pray? Brother Kovalchuk is none too well since his hard attack of grip. Pray for him also.

A WAITING MISSIONARY

Miss Clemie Miles, Los Angeles Bible Institute graduate, looks longingly at the Lord's Harvest Fields in Europe. No one has hired her. Are we too occupied with material things to pray her out to the work she has chosen?

HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Dr. Ewke's work still grows. He feels the need of modern diathermy apparatus and a quartz lamp to treat many of his patients. He asks for the modest sum of \$200 for this equipment. The Lord will surely give this godly physician what he needs, but let us pray.

TRAINED NURSE NEEDS SUPPORT

Miss Haley's travel account is in hand, but what about her support month by month as she serves in the Medical Mission and Clinic at Jaffa, Palestine, with Dr. Ewke? Will you pray at once!

FRESH AIR WORK AT RADOSC

Pray for Karl Faulkner and his helpers at Radosc, as the summer work for Jewish children opens. In this lovely suburb of Warsaw last year 175 children from the slums of the city were given two weeks of pure air, good food and Scripture and Gospel songs. What a difference it made in Miss Christoffer-

sen's welcome in their homes when the winter visitation and Bible study classes began in the city in the fall and winter. Now the effort must be repeated in Miss Christoffersen's absence. Prayer, much prayer will be needed, for conditions are continually changing in Europe.

ANGELOFF IS IN BULGARIA

Vasil Angeloff has now arrived at his birth place, after six years of study in Dallas Seminary and Wheaton College. He has met with a fine reception, with a public meeting at the call of the Mayor, and will have a good opportunity to give his testimony. His effort will be to propose to the Young People of Bulgaria religion in the place of atheism. This consecrated young man surely needs our prayers day by day.

A VETERAN RETURNS HOME

Our Dear Brother Frank A. McGaw has returned to America after twenty months at Radosc and Warsaw, Poland — not so young in body perhaps, but with mind and spirit energized by a burning zeal for the work of his Lord and Master. Pray for him in all his writing and his opportunities to speak to his fellow-Christians, and hear him if he visits your city.

WORKERS RETURN TO ALBANIA

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy will soon be returning to their beloved Albania, to fit into the work again as the Lord leads. Pray for their future service, that the Lord may again give them the opportunity to serve Him in this land which is 70% of Mohammedan belief. Be sure to remember the Jacques and the Conrads, and pray for Cheno, who has now responded to their prayers.

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REMEMBRANCE.



I cannot tell why there should come to me
A thought of some one miles and years away
In swift insistence on the memory,
Unless there be a need that I should pray.

Old friends are far away; we seldom meet
To talk of Jesus, or changes day by day,
Of pain, pleasure, triumph or defeat,
Or special reason why 'tis time to pray.

We are too busy even to spend thought
For days together of some friends away;
Perhaps God does it for us, and we ought
To read his signal as a call to pray.

Perhaps my friend just then has fiercer fight,
A more appalling weakness or decay
Of courage, darkness, some lost sense of right,
And so in case you need my prayer, I pray.

Friend, do the same for me. If I intrude
Unasked upon you on some crowded day,
Give me a moment's prayer as interlude;
Be sure I need it, therefore pray.

The Golden Rule, P. C. Co., Albion, Mich.

THE EUROPEAN HARVEST FIELD

JUNE, 1938

SECOND SECTION

Opening The Work at Radosc

The Fresh Air Children Will Be There Soon

Had the privilege of speaking in English the other night at the English Club in one of the Missions here. Some of these Jews are of a different type. They have good jobs — or at least work of some kind, but they are just as much lost as their poorer brothers. They surely are in a dense fog concerning spiritual things. Had a fine time talking to two of them after the meeting. They seemed really interested, but raised many questions. More like the so-called "free-thinkers". Then, of course, they had the usual Jewish obstacles in their path. Please pray that God will work in convincing power in these men, for probably I will have further contact with them. They need that conviction that only the Holy Spirit brings.

The Lord is blessing here in the Mission also, even if a "deaf and dumb" person is here. One thing I'm learning from this deaf and dumb experience is that, His Word has power and that it is better for God to speak than for me. I do the best I can to see that all leaving the mission have a gospel or tract — something that the Lord can use to speak to them, for many come once out of curiosity and may not come back and others are not allowed to come again, but the tracts and gospels can go home with them and I know God will use and bless His own Word for He has promised to use it.

We are in the transitional period now. The winter work behind and Radosc ahead. Radosc is beautiful now. You would enjoy it I know. They are cleaning the rooms now and next week, the Lord willing, we expect to move out for the summer.—Then for the children.

You should have been here Saturday to see them trooping in, all sizes and all shades of color (from dirt and otherwise). They learn a verse each Saturday and we seek to teach them a story from the Bible and give them two short talks on Salvation. Our first group will be boys. Please enlist the help of all prayer helpers for our objective is to reach every one of them with the gospel and we are asking the Lord to do a direct and definite work in the life of each child. A few are saved, but the most know *nothing* about the Lord Jesus and so we have two weeks to tell them of Him who loved the little ones and suffered them to come unto Himself. May he take many of these little ones to Himself at Radosc this summer. Please join us in earnest, definite prayer for this.

We, too wonder sometimes, but it is not ours to question "why", Miss Christoffersen had to leave just now, but believing Rom. 8:28 we are going on as He enables. Please pray that she may be quickly restored to health and that if He wills she may soon come back.

Our greatest need is for a woman who loves these girls and little ones and can lead them to Christ. As I looked at the believing ones yesterday—sheep without an under-shepherd, in one sense for men are not in a good position to help girls—I asked the Lord again to provide an under shepherd as He wills. They need that love and gentle leading of a Spirit-filled woman who can speak their language. The Lord can bring Miss C. back if He wills and we want His will to be done. So pray with us, please, for this great need now.

As you know, Mr. Chojnacki is here to help now. He is a real blessing and I thank the Lord for raising him up for us. He needs much prayer for all this is new to him also, but he is here to do his best for Christ. Even as I write he is dealing with a Jewish man in the mission room. He has a love for the souls of his Jewish people and is a quiet, gentlemanly man with a knowledge of the Word to help Israel. Mr. Shuman is also here to help. He will help us at the beginning for he knows how to do much of the work there, but he also is worn out altho still on the job. Missionaries here need much prayer now for several are breaking down in health under the heavy burdens of their work, for the Jewish people, altho in most ways more open to the gospel than ever before in history, are still a stubborn and stiffnecked people and it is easy for one who really loves them to break down under the load.

He is blessing here on every side. He is so good to us, — and as we look around and count our blessings we thank Him and thank all of you who thru your faithfulness in prayer are enabling us to go ahead and are responsible for many of these blessings. It's so good to know that there are praying ones at home who are constantly remembering Israel and especially this little part of the work. May He "water" you as you have refreshed us by your prayers. Thanks to all of you.

Yours, In Christ Jesus.

Karl Faulkner.

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A PRAYER WARRIOR HAS BEEN CALLED HOME TO BE WITH HIS LORD.

Mr. Charles J. Service, of 1036 Almond Court, Long Beach, California, passed away to be with his Lord, Monday morning, June 27th. Mr. Service had been active in supplying New Testaments for the Jews of Europe for nearly five years. His only way of providing these was by prayer and letter writing to his numerous friends. He was active in Christian work for many years, and within the past five years was blessed with the stewardship of sufficient funds to purchase nearly nine thousand New Testaments. These were purchased in the European Countries and distributed through the Missionaries of **The American European Fellowship** as the money was made available from time to time.

The burden of Mr. Service's heart was to get the ten million Jews of the several European Countries supplied with the New Testament. He was able by his prayer and letter ministry to get these funds together, and the **American European Fellowship**, his agent in the distribution of this trust fund, has purchased these testaments month by month as the money came in. Mr. Service's articles in **The European**

Harvest Field have been a constant appeal to God's believing children to give the good news to the Jews, as the Remnant according to the election of Grace was to be gathered out before the Lord returns.

If any of the readers of this article would like to have a part in the work that Mr. Service began, they may send their gifts either direct to Rev. Geo. W. Hunter, 312 Ximeno Avenue, Long Beach, California, or to the Office of **The American European Fellowship**, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. Please designate to whatever you send "**Charles Service Jewish Testament Fund**", and your gift will be used 100% for the propagation of the service that Mr. Service began over five years ago.

We are very desirous of seeing this work continued in his name. Begun by this bed-ridden man, with only one means of accomplished this God given commission-Prayer and letter-writing, he had for long years, in spite of intense suffering, been persistently appealing to his friends to carry the Gospel to the Jews Jesus Brethren, according to the Flesh. Now that he is with the Lord, would it not be a fitting memorial for these same friends to carry this labor on till Jesus calls us home or return to take us to be with him?

GEORGE W. HUNTER.